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FRIENDSHIP

Today has brought us closer, friend,
To heaven and the journey's end;
 Look back with me, I pray,
And view our work as here we stand,
The work we've finished hand in hand
 Today and yesterday,
For it is well to think of this,—
The toils for others, and the bliss
 It brought us, while we may.

I know not when the wheels of life
Will cease within you, and the strife
 Of earth's turmoil depart,
But if the veil of death should fall
Upon you while I'm gone, may all
 The peace God could impart
Be with you, for you've given me
A new joy, and may that joy be
 Imbedded in your heart.

Ralph Tompkins.

Ralph Tompkins

May this volume of "The Reflector" make a permanent part of your lives the friendships that have come into being in this year of 1954.



DEDICATION

To Mr. Harmon L. Gregory, the principal of our school, whose powerful leadership, efficiency, sincerity, ceaseless work, and ambition have piloted our school for over a period of six years, "The 1934 Reflector" is dedicated with the appreciation of the students of Trott in the hope that we may express in some slight manner our affection for him.

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CLASSES

THE REFLECTOR

CLASS OF 1934



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President

ETHYL BROWN

Vice-President

JOHN PORRECO

Secretary

STANLEY CHERVINSKI

Treasurer

TO LEARN SOMETHING MORE
TODAY THAN YESTERDAY

Motto

RED AND SILVER

Colors

AMERICAN BEAUTY

Flower

✓

CLASS HISTORY OF 1934

THE graduating class is at last about to attain the head earned sheepskin that will mean so much to their future. When first entering Trott Vocational School some labored at typewriters and calculators; others filled the lower corridors with hastily opened doors in attempt to explore the secrets of unknown gases and liquids. Still others tinkered with machinery trying to discover the malady of a Model T Ford. As freshmen, the shop boys stood in awe at the goatherd seniors of '33 who knew all the secrets of machines, formulas, carburetors, and accelerators that they themselves were trying so hard to master. These once mere youngsters are now going forth as adult efficiency experts each soon to procure a job that will lead him to the way of happiness in success.

After the first year which always proves to be the most difficult, we entered our senior year under the student council guidance of Marvin Beck, president, Walter Thomas, vice-president, Joe Jamarco, secretary, and Mike Portick, treasurer. Under the capable leadership of these fine officers a year of pleasant activities as well as scholastic success was completed.

At the opening of the basketball season, an athletic association composed of 150 members was formed. Mike Portick was elected president, Edward Clark, vice-president, and Anne Winger, secretary.

On January 18, the "Land O' Cotton" Minstrel Show was given in the Auditorium of Trott Vocational School. The seniors, Joe Jamarco and John Tomazewski, took two leading roles assisted by a chorus composed of many of their fellow classmates.

The Varsity Basketball Team gloried in a successful season as members to the R. P. L. League for the first time. The efforts of the following seniors, Russell Gregory, John Porreco, Charles Holkovich, and Orvin Maybe, combined with that of Trott High Students were largely responsible for Trott's success.

In March a startling announcement from the office stated that those who considered themselves seniors were to inform their respective teachers. It was surprising that the time spent at Trott was nearly over. We had catered with one thought in mind, to reach the same port, and perhaps combine pleasure with work. Now we had nearly reached our pinnacle happily, if not a bit reluctantly.

At the first senior meeting Mr. Small was chosen class advisor. At the second meeting a precedent was established in the election of Arlene Alamo as president of the Senior Class, the first girl to be chosen for this high position in the six years of Trott's existence. Ethel Brown was elected vice-president, Edin Porreco, secretary, and Stanley Chervinski, treasurer.

We have now reached our goal, one which seemed so distant when we entered Trott Vocational School. After graduation, we will scatter to find a place in the world and then settle down to a routine. We may never see each other again in school, but long may we remember our grand days at T. V. S.!

Class Historian 1934

Dimma Dal Porto

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Fortuna, Cox, Halkovich, Halliday, Heston, Hammons,
Cusumano, Del Porto, Gert, Fronaszek, Gertie, Germele,
Cuth, Carosella, Capizzi, Contilante, Chervinski, Conti,
Alonso, Allen, Beck, Bowman, Brown, Brown, Brummer

SENIORS

ARLEN ALMOND Eggs
Volleyball

ELIAN OR ALLEN Penno

Com
Soccer
Volleyball '33
Badminton
Athletic Manager '33, '34
MARVIN BECK Becks
"Aw Nuts"
Auto Shop
President of Student Council '31

CLARA HOWMAN Nose
that no?

Volleyball

EDYLL BROWN Red

You know
Commercial
Volleyball '33

ARA BROWN

that no?
Commercial
Badminton Tournament

SAM CARLO Assembly
Drafting

Newspaper '32, '33, '34
Vice president Student Council

Traffic Squad '32, '33
EVELYN CAROSELLA

JOSEPHINE CAPEZZI Sweets

Commercial

MARY CANTERANI Gerty

Baseball

MARY CHERVINSKI

Commercial

CARMAN CONTI Botch

Hey, Botch
Drafting
Yearbook

Newspaper '32, '33, '34
Intercholastic Basketball '32,

'34
Baseball '3

ALICE CUSIMANO Kelly

Commercial

Soccer, Volleyball, Badminton

EDMUND DAL PORTO Dei

Holy Cats
Commercial
Trot Herald and Reflector '3

'33, '34, Athletic Association
Music League '33, '34

Green Club '34

EDWARD FORUNA

STELLA FRONASZER Jean

that I act funny
Commercial

CLARENCE GEE

CLARENCE GENTLE Flo

that I act funny
Commercial

MARGARET GERMELE Maggie

Germele
I resent that remark
Commercial

COLETT HEAL KOWICH Halky

that I act funny
Basketball
Volleyball

WILLIE HALLIDAY

Oh Yeah, See Who
Volleyball

FRANK LANN MS Herby

Drafting
Class Basketball
Volleyball

ROBERT HEATON Cowley

New when I was in Oklahoma
Auto



Tomaszewski, Tractinski, VanBrockley, Weaver, Wexzale
Scheer, Scott, Scorzafava, Scrufari, Spiller
Musical, Nevelin, O'Brien, Olfarz, Price, Pysz, Reed
Hanson, Julius, Kane, Lombardo, Marston, Maslucher

SENIORS

PAULINE HANSON - Pauls
Commercial
Volleyball '33

VIOLET JOHNS - Violets
Commercial
Basketball

Muriel Award '34
Athletic Manager
Basketball
Commercial
Volleyball
Basketball '34
Woodstock Award '34
Basketball

ELLY KANE - Savoy
Basketball
Commercial
Volleyball
Basketball
Basketball

JOSE LOMBARDO - Ro
Commercial
Woodstock Award

SANTINA MIRANTO - Santa
Oh Gee

Commercial
Woodstock Award
Basketball
Volleyball

NAYLA MOKHBER - Nai
Commercial

NETTIE MOSKEL - Te Te
Basketball

MELVIN NEYERLIN - Melvin
Basketball

JEROME O'BRIEN - Jerry
Basketball
Commercial

NETTIE OLFARZ - Nellie
Basketball

MARY PYSZ - Mary
Basketball

JOHN SAAD - Sand
Basketball

Foreman of Shop '33, '34

HAROLD SCHEER - Hal
Or Something

Commercial, Band '33

FREDA SCOTT - Bridget
Commercial

PETER SCRUFARI
Basketball

ANNA SCORZAFAVA
Basketball

HAROLD SMITH - Smitty
Basketball

DOROTHY SPILLER - Dot
Basketball

JOHN TOMASZEWSKI - J. F. I.
Basketball

Commercial, Land O' Cott in
Volleyball, Traffic Squad

JOHN TRACTINSKY - Johnny
Basketball

HELEN VAN BROCKLEY - Helen
Basketball

FRANK WEAVER - Frank
Basketball

MARTIN WELSCZYK
Basketball

Midwighting

ON a rainy afternoon in the National Fish Library I delved to glance through the 1954 City Directory and found there the name of many an old friend. So that you could enjoy a little of my delight and surprise, I copied a few for you.

Alderman, Walter—Patrolman on the Niagara Falls Police Force.
Alaimo, Arlene—Model at the Paris Fashions Dress Shop.
Allen, Eleanor—Waitress at the Trabucco Hotel.
Beck, Marvin—City Clerk of Niagara Falls.
Bowman, Clara—Proprietor of the Carosella Hat Shop.
Brown, Ethyl—Actress at the Robert Lee Studios.
Brown, Vera—Manicurist at Mokhiber Beauty Shop.
Carlo, Sam—Artist at the Miller Studios.
Capizzi, Josephine—Blues Singer at Station W. G. R.
Centofanti, Mary—Secretary to the Board of Education.
Chervinski, Mary—Typing Instructor at the Trott Vocational High School.
Chervinski, Stanley—Foreman at the Welhelm Chemical Company.
Clark, Edward—Commissioner of Parks.

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FRANK BALON
Millwright
CLUSTER BARNES Bonney
Welder
Electric
Lumberman
Electrician
Automobile
FISH BLAVER
Electric
VIVIAN COROSIELLA
Commercial
STANLEY CHERVINSKI Stan
"Hey Blackie"
Industrial
Basketball
Volleyball
EDWARD CLARK
Commercial
CHESTER COLLINS
Millwright
DOMINIC COSENZINO
Machine
WALTER CZAJKA Wala
Machine
Volleyball
Basketball
MATTHEW DOMINSKI
"Hi there Kid"
Machine Shop
Basketball
Volleyball
ANNA DONATELLA
Commercial
PETER FAVORITE
"Hi B—"
Machine Shop
EDWARD GALL
"Howdy boys, Howdy"
Machine Shop
Class President

WILLIAM CARONIER
KAY RINECKAY
RUSSELL CULLERY
Basketball
RALPH JOYCE Tweet
ANNE LA CIVITA
"Gee Whoo"
EDWARD LOSKOWSKI Lash
Millwright
Basketball '3
Softball
FLORENCE MURKIN
DORIS MENENDEZ Choo
M... and Jack Bones
EUGENE NADIA
DAN V. PARA O'Be
JACK WENSK

JOSEPH PARDO J P Morgan
I don't remember
I don't remember
I don't remember
I don't remember

WILLIAM PIERCE BB
Millwright

WALTER P. PRZENICZ Waddy
I don't remember
I don't remember
I don't remember
I don't remember

JOHN PORRECA P
I don't remember
I don't remember
I don't remember
I don't remember

MICHAEL PORTER Micky
O kee Do kee Pop
Commercial
Basketball

SEAN J. SACKS
I don't remember
I don't remember
I don't remember
I don't remember

EDDY SACKS
Millwright

WALTER THOMAS Waddy
I don't remember
I don't remember
I don't remember
I don't remember

ROY WILHELM Wee Willie
Wilhelm
I don't remember
I don't remember
I don't remember
I don't remember

CITY DIRECTORY

Conti, Carmen—President of the Conti Taxi Company.
 Cusimano, Caroline—Kindergarten teacher at Cleveland Avenue School.
 Czapla, Walter—Optometrist at Heaton Jewelry Store.
 Dal Porto, Dimma—Literary Editor of the Niagara Falls Gazette.
 Fortuna, Edward—Fruit Importer.
 Franaszek, Stella—Housewife.
 Gall, Edward—Repairman.
 Gee, Clarence—Commissioner of Streets.
 Gentile, Florence—Teller at Balon and Banas Bank.
 Giesler, Carl—Proprietor of Giesler's Radio Store.
 Gimmelli, Anthony—Professor at the Notre Dame University.
 Gregory, Russell—Mayor of Niagara Falls.
 Halkowich, Charles—Radio Announcer for T. V. S.
 Hannums, Frank—Organist for Wurlitzer.
 Hanson, Pauline—Instructor at Joyce Athletic School.
 Jamarco, Joseph—Radio Announcer over Station W. F. A. T.
 Kane, Betty—Proprietor of Halliday Beauty Shop.
 LaCivita, Anna—Stenographer at Maybee Building.
 La Sota, Joseph—La Sota and Saad Undertaking Parlor.
 Lombardo, Rose—Nurse at Gardiner Hospital.
 Manenty, Viola—Housewife.
 Marzec, Edward—Chief of Police.
 Menendez, Henry—Manager at Kennedy Motor Sales Corporation.
 Meranto, Santina—Leader of Women's Politics.
 Moskal, Stella—Saleslady at Niagara Clothing Company.
 O'Brien, Jerome—Medical Doctor.
 Olejarz, Nellie—Designer of Women's Clothes.
 Porreca, John—Criminal Lawyer.
 Potok, Michael—Football Coach.
 Pasz, Mary—Nurse at Memorial Hospital.
 Scazzalava, Anna—Opera Singer.
 Scheer, Harold—President of Power Trust Company.
 Scott, Freda—Society Leader.
 Smith, Harold—Aviator.
 Spiller, Dorothy—Aviatrix.
 Thomas, Walter—President of Niagara Hudson.
 Tomazewski, John—Foreman at 10th Street Firehall.
 Walezak, Felix—Senator.

How large a part in the city's business affairs do my fellow graduates of 1954 play? Most certainly we who were the pupils of yesterday are the rulers of today.

CLASS WILL

WE, the graduating class of 1954 of the Trot Vocational School, in order to form a more perfect school do ordain and establish this class will to become effective the first day of the fall semester.

We bestow the amazing ability of Dorothy Spiter to see the "B. I." during school hours to Nellie Insaaco.

We give to George Hooker the straightforwardness of Joe Jamarco.

We bestow upon Madeline Palmer the sportmanship of Violet Johns.

With our best wishes we present to Edward Olecz the trombone of Edward Marzec.

To Sophie Popielarski we leave the powder puffs of Anne LaCivita.

To Anthony Spindio we leave Mike Porticks' permanent (?) wave.

We leave to Bertha Ives the winning ways of Ethyl Brown.

We bestow upon Arnold Fattiswood the attractive smile of Charles Halkowich.

To Margaret Murphy we leave the cute blushing ways of Clara Bowman.

The leadership of Marvin Beck to Cammer Tomaszewski.

We leave to Walter Becker the voluminous vocabulary of Dimma Dal Porto.

To Walter Donovan we leave the witty ideas of John Tomaszewski.

To Marie Trepasso we leave the curling pins of Vivian Carosella.

To Joe Travis we leave the piano keys (including the rhythm) of Frank Hannums.

The rare Lord's Lenny of Vera Brown we bestow upon Marguerite Dietrich.

The gracious gowns of Nellie Olecz we give to Julia Scarupa.

To Mary Barry we leave the school-girl figure of Arlene Alaimo.

Betty Kane's ever ready giggle we bestow upon Patricia Thomas.

The timid habits (sez you) of John Oinenski we give to Ziggy Tarnowski.

We leave to Virginia Brown the melodious sounds of Josephine Capizzo.

To Joe Trabucco we give the roller skates (also the racket) rambles of Stanley O'Bara.

The sex appeal of Freda Scott we give to Lillian Sawma.

From Harold Scheer we award his intelligence to Harry Schrantz.

We, the Class of 1954, leave to the faculty of Trot Vocational School our kind affections and fondations.

We, the girls of the 1954 Graduating Class, bestow upon the incoming freshmen girls our amazing ability to turn out good typewritten material and chew gum vigorously at the same time.

We, the boys of the 1954 Graduating Class, leave open the shops, in which we practice our quaint mannerisms, to oncoming first year boys to do likewise.

Given under my hand and official seal this twenty-second day of June, A. D., 1954.

MARY CHERVINSKI, Class Testator
Trot Vocational School



TROTT VOCATIONAL SHOP GROUP

The Trott Vocational Shop Group consists of about 250 students. This course offers instruction in chemistry, drafting, auto mechanics, machine & electricity, and millwrighting. Students taking this course are taught every phase of their individual work and when they are graduated they are able to continue it as their life's work. The largest shop division is the millwright shop which numbers thirty-two students. Each course offered is complete in itself. The vocational group as well as the commercial department is operated on the Dalton Plan. When a student completes sixteen units of work, he is graduated from the course he is taking and is eligible for employment. Because of this system sixty students of the vocational group have been placed with employers. The vocational department does not consider its job complete until students are properly placed where their knowledge will aid them in their work. Follow-up visits are made by the instructors to ascertain if any further help is needed by the graduate.



TROTT COMMERCIAL AND CONTINUATION DEPARTMENTS

Trott's Commercial Section is composed of about three hundred students who receive worthwhile and complete instruction in typewriting, filing, office practice, bookkeeping, and operation of office appliances. Since rapid and accurate work are two of the outstanding requirements of persons engaged in office work, this phase is particularly stressed until every graduate is a skilled worker in his or her field. The course has proved itself to be one of the most popular in the school owing to the fact that it too is operated on the Dalton Plan.

Of all the departments in Trott, the Continuation Department is the most interesting and the least known. It is chiefly a social service unit created for the purpose of aiding children who are unable to attend full time school. It is here that the working boy or girl is acquainted with the latest ideas in the profession which he or she is following. Here as well as in the vocation and commercial departments, the school helps to secure employment for the pupils.



HIGH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

The High School Department of Trott Vocational School, which was created in the year of 1952 to relieve the overcrowded condition in the Senior High School, is composed of second year students. These pupils are stationed at Trott for one year when they will pass into Niagara Falls High School as juniors. This, however, does not make them less important members at Trott as they have participated in all school functions and activities, which include the student council, newspaper, musical group, band, orchestra, athletic squad, and assembly programs. Eighty names on the high school honor roll attests to the fact that scholastic as well as extra-curricular activities were emphasized during this mid-high year.

In short, these students, marked by the industry, their initiative, and their undivided school spirit, have contributed wholeheartedly to the activities of the school and have done their share in making Trott one of the best schools of Niagara Falls.



SEPTEMBER

- 6 Trott swings wide its doors to welcome all
- 17 Assembly to acquaint new comers with school habits
- 16 Thirty-five North Juniorites enjoy visit here
- 17 Student from Siam visits Trott
- 29 Special assembly held in honor of former N. J. Students who were awarded certificates

OCTOBER

- 3 Student Council officers introduced in assembly
- 5 Archery Club organized under leadership of Mr. Banks
- 20 Lunch periods shortened. Doggone it!
- 25 Traffic Corps organized
- 31 Mr. Andrews impersonates Will Rogers. Keep Smiling!
- 24 Skating party and what a time! Wow!
- 25 "Get Acquainted" dance sponsored by Student Council
- 26 First "Herald" published

NOVEMBER

- 1 Mr. Hannaman entertains with black magic
- 8 Armistice Day Address by Dr. Taylor
- 21 Thanksgiving Assembly
- 28 Inter-Class Basketball season closes, with N. R. A. winning school championship

DECEMBER

- 9 Trott defeats DeVeaux Cagers
- 10 Xmas dance
- 11 Trott loses to Kenmore
- 22 Rah! Christmas issue of "Herald" appears
- Christmas Assembly
- 23 Trott defeats Batavia. Hurrah!

JANUARY

- Trott takes Tonawanda to the tune of 38-35
- 15 We lose to North Tonawanda. Better luck next time
- 18 Whoopie! Minstrel show is a howling success!
- 19 Lackawanna gets close win over Trott
- 22 Cram week and Exam week

DAYS OF 1954

FEBRUARY

1. Hershey Movies shown in assembly. Candy sales are mounting. Somebody's bound to gain
14. "Land O'Cotton" cast celebrates with party
16. Trott plays Batavim. Another Victory!
28. Students enjoy dance after school, sponsored by newspaper st. II

MARCH

7. Last issue of "Herald" is out
9. Defeated Lockport. Give team a big hand!
16. High School loses to Trott after hard battle
21. Students frightened at explosive assembly given in a skit by chemistry students
26. Popular alumni game. Trott loses

APRIL

11. Athletic Association meeting
18. Community Chest campaign begins
18. Yearbook assembly
29. Skating Party and dance at Dexter's
- Spring Prom. Informal. Loads of fun

MAY

2. Mr. Small speaks at assembly
9. Mrs. Carrie Bliss of Fourth Street contributed a beautiful bust of Beethoven to our music department. We wish to thank her most heartily
16. Assembly for prevention of cruelty to animals
- Candidates for the 1955 Student Council introduced
29. Decoration Day Assembly
30. One day vacation. Try to count the picnics!

JUNE

8. Music League had picnic at "Y" camp
14. City exams begin
18. Regents begin. May you pass with nothing less than ninety-five
22. Graduation. Dr. Harding of the R. and H. Chemical Company gave the address.

So ends this year, 1954, that has been a combination of work and pleasure, failure and success, disappointments and realization. May you have only pleasant memories of these events.



THE 1934 HONOR ROLL

EACH year "The Reflector" publishes with a great deal of pride the names of those pupils who have succeeded in reaching honor grades in their subjects. To these students Trott owes its reputation as an institution of learning. We congratulate them on a splendid achievement.

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Frank Dandrea



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Fabiano, LaSota, Gregory

VARSITY BASKETBALL

Trott's debut in the R. P. I. League was successful inasmuch as we nearly reached the finals at Kenmore. The high spot of the year was Trott's defeat of their arch-rivals, the High School, for the first time since the two teams met in athletic competition. The High School team, all stars in their own right, were defeated by a Trott team that never gave up fighting until the final whistle when they forged ahead to make the final score 17-15 in Trott's favor.

In June a banquet was held at which the members of the winning team, Fabiano, Dandrea, LaSota, DeFazio, Gregory, and LaSota were presented with a letter and certificate as rewards for their playing.

TROTT'S RECORD

Opponent	Place	Score		Opponent	Place	Score	
		they	we			they	we
1. LaSalle	There	18	40	9. High School	There	11	18
2. DeVeaux	H. S.	8	51	10. Kenmore	Here	20	17
Kenmore	There	55	21	11. Batavia	Here	20	28
4. Batavia	There	20	37	12. Tonawanda	There	20	20
5. Tonawanda	Here	33	38	13. N. Tonawanda	There	27	20
6. N. Tonawanda	Here	18	15	14. Lackawanna	Here	14	20
7. Lackawanna	There	27	16	15. Lockport	Here	14	20
8. Lockport	There	27	26	16. High School	There	1	1
	Lost 8				Won 8		
Opponents scored on Trott 388				Trott Scored on Opponents 454			



Manfred, Klimec, Cressa
Rosen, Janssen, Wilhelm
Porreca, Burr Iano, Herasowich, Maybee, Martino

THE SECOND TEAM AND INTRA MURAL SPORTS

During the past year the time of the second team has equaled if not surpassed that of the varsity. Of the opponents met in the games previous the varsity two-thirds were vanquished by this group of peppy players.

The intramural program, participated in by nearly 500 boys, included teams basketball, volleyball, foot, and soft and hard ball under the direction of Coach Bernard Manfred.

In September and October a successful tennis tournament, comprised of sixteen teams under the direction of Mr. Stafford, was run off and won by Belmont and Laverly, while in a consolation tournament Farley and Ginnella on a defeat of Nowack and Kula were pronounced victors.

An interclass basketball league was formed in November with twenty-four well organized teams competing for the school championship and played with the main purpose of giving Mr. Manfred an idea concerning who should be picked to the "Varsity." The season closed on November 28 with N. R. A. of the First High section winning the championship by defeating Millwright 1A, 40-8.

In spring, attention turned to golf and soft and hard ball which completed the year's athletic activities.



Maziasz, Hughey, Delehant, Lysak, Walley, Haunings,
Milarski, Kurisko, Dorochak, Popularski, Wroblewski, Fittante, Brenda
Benfante, Sazyk, Struzikiewicz, Martino, Kasprzak, Popowich

VOLLEYBALL AND BADMINTON

The girls of Trott Vocational High School have shown a marvelously fine spirit in regard to sports. Everyone has proven her loyalty by participating in its activities.

Volleyball proved a leading sport where the girls showed true sportsmanship throughout the entire season. Unbounded success marked this game. In February, the final games were played and the following girls were winners: S. Popularski*, captain, H. Brunda*, A. Wroblewski*, E. Popowich*, I. Benfante*, M. Dorochak* and H. Kurisko*. The runners-up were: R. Fields, captain, L. First, L. Haunings, B. Delehante, J. Fittante, M. Hughey, H. Klimedio, A. Lysak, L. Maziasz, L. Walba. Stars denote those who will receive a Trott letter "T".

An extensive tournament of one hundred and ten games in badminton was played after which forty-eight teams were scheduled in the elimination before the champs were announced. Sixteen leagues which consisted of ninety-six girls, were formed and the schedule was posted in the gym. The winners were K. Kasprzak and T. Martino; the runners-up were J. Struzikiewicz and S. Sazyk. Many girls served as score keepers and referees. Birds and rackets were furnished by the school. All the runners-up will receive fifty points toward a letter similar to that received by the winners.



Firth, Kelberer, Kane, Brown, Hanson, Allen, Cusimano,
John, Mullen, Michaels, Martino, Herowska, Furry, Narkiewicz,
Snyder, Prindle, Augerot, Kelly, Burton, Czaplak, Sawa

SOCGER AND OTHER SPORTS

Starting the second semester, the girls devoted their attention to soccer. In this sport which is a new once for girls at Trott, a great number of teams were entered in a tournament, which later proved to be a snappy affair with the winners coming through by a narrow margin.

The tournament which was a sort of the 'Round Robin' type was concluded in March with *Blanche Kelly, M. Augerot, G. Burton, *H. Maden, *W. Sawa, L. Michael, L. Hasey, *F. Czaplak, *E. Snyder, *E. Stevens of the high school section, comprising the membership of the championship team.

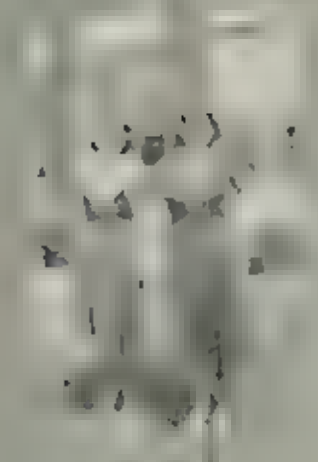
The second place winners were V. Tolias, as captain, F. Firth, H. Kelberer, E. Narkiewicz, E. Brown, M. Bonjavani, E. Cusimano, and P. Hanson.

Nine teams were entered in the baseball tournament. Six games have been played in the Round Robin which will end in June when the champs will be decided by a separate elimination tournament. The teams with the highest average of games won will be admitted to the finals.

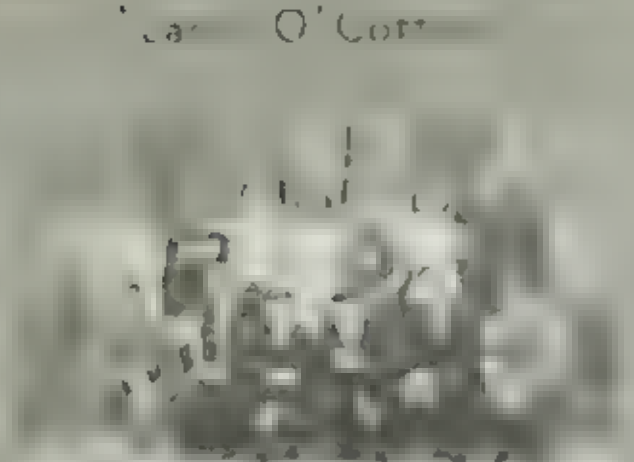
A tennis tournament which was finished in June completed the sports activities for the girls of T. V. S. in 1934.



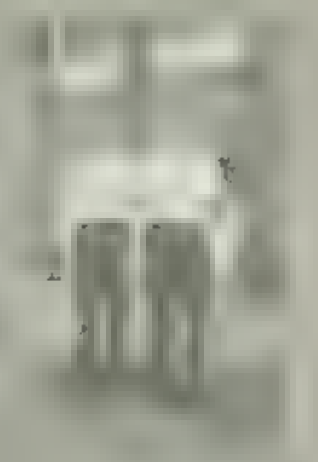
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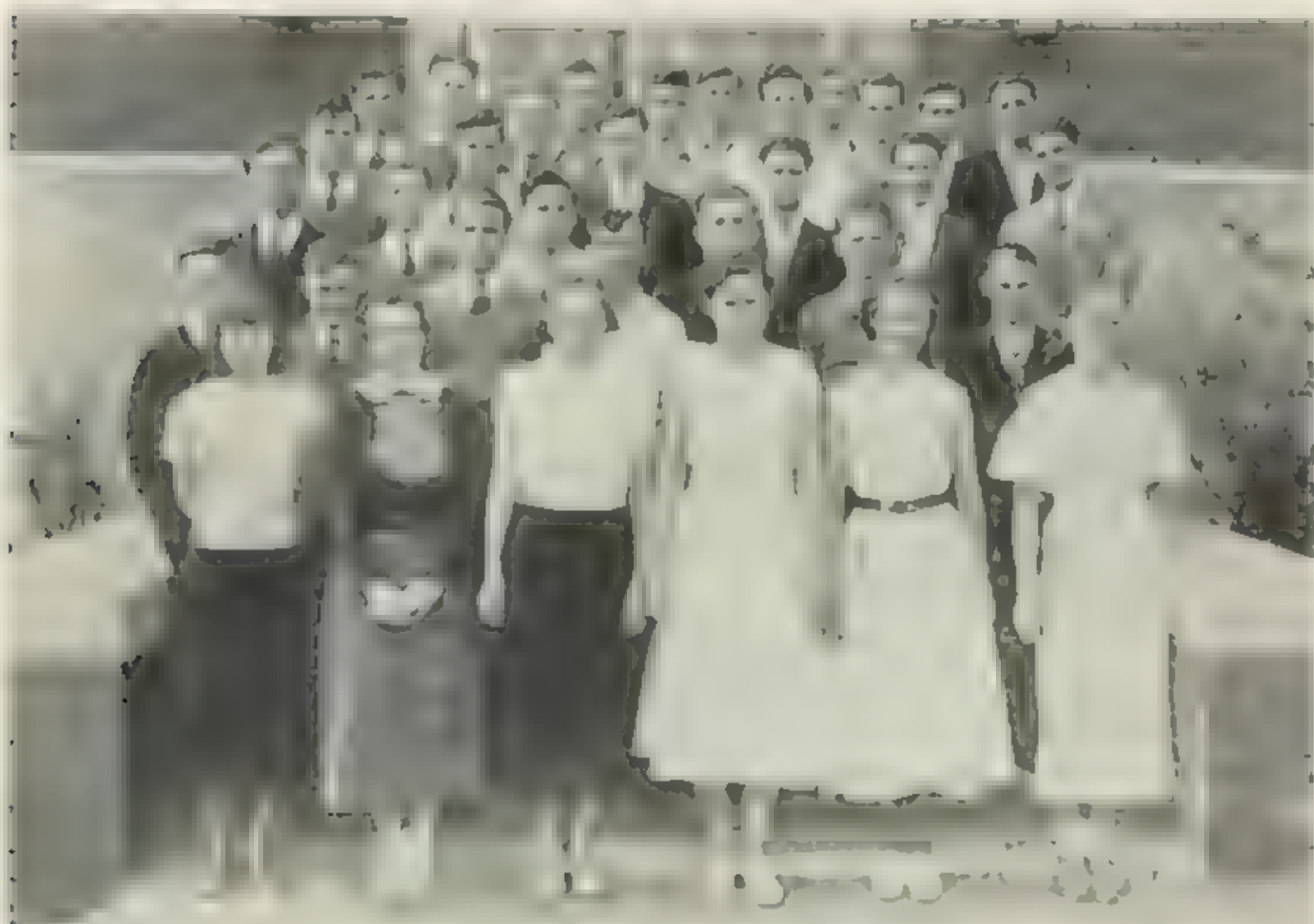


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ORGANIZATIONS



Josephus Lederhouse, Dandrea Larnowski, Brian
H. Le Liffwood, Sadowski, Montavari, Hoeser, Longo
Fitzer, Tomaszewski, Fyler, Scifano, Zaccaria, Finocello
Gall, Eschale, Szwarc, Tomaszewski, Beck
Nemoly, Revashitz, Dammak, Paszke, Carlo
Guthrie, Meier, Cunningham, Jackson, Brown, Madis

THE STUDENT COUNCIL OF 1954

The Student Council of Leitch Vocational High School, organized to foster a school spirit and secure a more uniform representation in school activities, chose as its leader for the year 1954, Marvin Beck who presided at the meetings. The Council, composed of vice-president, Walter Thomas, secretary, Joseph Jamarco, and treasurer, Michael Portick, and a representative from each of the roll call rooms, with the help of the principal of the school, Herman E. Gregory, and the faculty advisor, Miss Rinn, put forth its best efforts to keep up the traditions of former years.

The Council, besides sponsoring the collection and distribution of food and clothing for the needy families at Christmas time and promoting the sales of the yearbook, earned one point by contacting successfully the Community Chest Campaign in Troit. Among the other affairs sponsored by this organization the "Get Together" dance held in October and the Student Council Assembly in May stood out.

May succeeding Student Councils carry out as wisely and conscientiously all activities and problems that come within their range.



Walden Koparz, Rachel Gibbs, Zaccaria
Littlewood, Marzee, Tompkins, Brasser, John Phillips
Thomas Schmitt, Prindle, Thomas Pitt
James Yawley, Oswego, Ruggiero, Emmet

THE T. V. S. BAND

One of Trott Vocational School's organizations of which we are proud is the Band. In the brilliant crimson and white of the Alpha M. C. and with their brass instruments they make a striking picture. Under the capable direction of Mr. Emmett, our music instructor, they have pleased various audiences, both in school and in public.

As proof of their excellent playing they were invited to present programs at North and South Junior High Schools and played at the Winter Music Festival at the Senior High School. In the Niagara Falls Peace Council program they were applauded for their rendering of "Washington Post March," "Welcome," and "Jumper Peck," in which John Iuele played the trumpet solo. During the basketball season, the band played at all of Trott's home games and accompanied the varsity to North Tonawanda.

Four members of the band, John Iuele, Charles Swain, Leo Orynawka, and Ralph Tompkins, comprised the brass quartet which has been extremely active this year. They played at the Music Festival, in assemblies at the LaSalle Business Men's Banquet, at a minstrel show at LaSalle, At Trott's Minstrel Show, at the First Presbyterian Church, at Howard Hall for the Federation of Mothers' Clubs, at the Senior High, South, and North Junior High Schools.



FRONT: Cowan, Tompkins, Benjella, Hohenstein, Everett
LITTLEWOOD, Orynawka, Slone, Meyers, Bird, James
SEPH, Shumway, Zaccaria, Shumway, Schug

BOYS' GLEE CLUB

The Boys' Glee Club, although composed of only twenty members, is to be congratulated on its excellent performances this year at Trott. The harmony produced by these boys is of the best and bids for highest honors in the city.

The club worked diligently and produced results worthy of the efforts. They sang several selections in the Minstrel Show which delighted the audience. So popular was one of these numbers, "My Gallant Crew," from the Gilbert and Sullivan Opera, "Pinafore," that the boys sang it, with several other compositions, in an assembly program when Lee Travis sang the solo part. This was then repeated at the Music Festival, where the boys also gave "The Three Chasers." They again sang at the Y. W. C. A. Howard Hall for the Federation of Mothers' Club.

Although like the mixed chorus it meets only once a week, the results have been most encouraging, and considerably greater than last year's efforts along the same line.



Directors: Zaccaria, Travis, Benoit, Neph, Myers, Shawway, Shawway, S. J. H. Littlewood, Eric, Lambert
 Members: Hensley, Hubbard, Shaunnassy, O'Leary, Roberts, Slater, Clapsch, Stevenson
 Del Parto: Partridge, Snyder, Kess, Shonick, Fickel, Karwasmier, Mastard
 Treasures: Cook, Jordan, Page, Gales, Schmidt, Furry, Fekel, Voelker
 Laidson: Goffert, Capella, Barne, Price, Morgan, Halstead, Hodge

MIXED CHORUS

Because the mixed chorus of Trott Vocational High School have participated so enthusiastically and whole heartedly in the affairs of the city, they are deserving of much appreciation. In an attempt to show the importance that music has in education, it is an essential factor in the studies of the pupils, much has been done by the chorus with this aim in view.

Meeting but once a week for an hour only, the chorus had accomplished surprisingly much. As evidence of this, the Girls' Glee Club and a section of the Mixed Chorus have presented several selections in a variety of ways. In January, several members composed the chorus and soloists of the Minstrel Show which was presented to the public.

Although they did not sing a special selection in the Frontier Music Meet held at Niagara Falls High School in May, the chorus attended and joined in the massed chorus conducted by Dr. Breach.

On the day of the Civil Peace Meet, the Trott Vocational Chorus sang two numbers at the City Hall as a part of the program sponsored by the Niagara Peace Council.

The musical program will be concluded at the commencement exercises on June 22.



Nichols, Yande, Baker, Olearczyk, Zaczynski, Nierdun,
Repplinger, Becker, Berock, Price, Reid, Roman, Marzec,
Fischel, Owsinski, Spindler, Bird, Martinez, Everett, Travis, Littlewood,
Swire, Strickland, Coaches, Corbett, Fields, Shagerman, Tomaszewski.

THE TRAFFIC SQUAD

The history of this school, law-enforcing body began several years ago when the junior high pupils were using the third floor of the Trott building. Since that time the school has presented the solution to the problem of relieving the disorder in the halls between class periods.

This year the squad consisted of thirteen members on the traffic duty stationed in the halls and nine others on noon lunch traffic. Each floor had its captain, and the direction of the organization was under our principal, Mr. Gregory.

The squad has had more to do this year than in previous years, due to the laws passed by the school board prohibiting the students from leaving the building during lunch periods. In addition to the regular traffic duty between the periods attendants were placed at each door to allow only those with permits to leave or enter the building.

Conduct in the halls during 1954 has then been improved by each member of this group aided by the fine cooperation of every student of Trott.



Leavis, Fithwood, Berock, Becker, Hultgren, Cramer, Peck,
Nannoy, Shafer, Slingerland, Fitch, Cramer, Reynolds,
Dal Porto, Voelker, Johns, Bennett, Chervinski, Deakont, Lury

NEWSPAPER-YEARBOOK CLUB

The Newspaper Club was organized at the beginning of the first semester with twenty-seven members, all anxious to make this project a success. Since that time there have been three issues of the "Trott Herald" and the yearbook, "The Reflector," published.

Working both during and after school hours, the staff did its utmost to make a success of the paper. "The Trott Herald" belonged to the Western New York Inter-Scholastic Press Association. With suggestions learned from these meetings, new methods were introduced and carried out in our publications. Mr. Fritts worked faithfully and efficiently, ably assisted by Editor Berold Bennett and Assistant Editor Walter Becker.

The organization also belonged to the Niagara Falls Inter-Scholastic Press Association which each year awards a trophy to the school which has made the best success of its school newspaper. It is Trott's hope each year that it will be able to obtain and hold this trophy.

In April the yearbook was started by the original staff of "The Herald," working under the advisorship of Miss Tallman. A two-week campaign was held, at the duration of which about 400 copies had been sold. Only with conscientious work, excellent leadership and student co-operation was "The Reflector" made possible.

THE 1934 PRIZE STORY IN TROTT

THE GREATER LOVE

ON a warm summer night a group of campers were engaged in a spirited controversy as to whether or not civilization had weakened or increased the power of love, and one after another defended his views. David Saunders, a noted explorer of the tropical islands, broke the silence. "There is no doubt in my mind," he said, "as to which side has the right of it," and he pointed forth this story:

The sun came out in all its glory, and it was hard to believe that a few hours before a fierce tropical storm had lashed the sky and sea to a fury and that the ship had gone down. Jack Hays opened his eyes and found himself on a small native island, the sole survivor of his exploration ship, 'The Clairmont'. He saw a graceful figure approaching and as she came nearer perceived she was beautiful beyond words. He saw that Jack had floated about her slender form, from her lips came a startled cry. She seemed to draw away, but he called out and finally through his knowledge of many native dialects he made her understand that he was in need of food and shelter. She looked stealthily about her and then led him to a strange, crude, temple-like structure carved in the likeness of the head of a great crocodile.

"Days passed swiftly by for Jack as he lay under the tender care of the lovely Lameen. One evening as they watched the moonlight that played with the shadows cast by the rocks, he resolved not to flee with him to another island where they could give the rest of their days safely and happily in a pagan paradise. She, at last, consented and through the cool darkness they traveled silently and swiftly in an outrigger canoe beneath the tropical stars. At dawn they landed upon an uninhabited island.

"The long, lovely tropical days passed lazily, softly by, but this new-found happiness was not to last, for suddenly Jack was stricken with the dreaded fever of the tropics and for days lay in a semi-coma. He wasted rapidly despite Lameen's efforts until at last she knew that death was close. Now she understood she had offended the temple god and in his anger he was taking her beloved away from her. There was only one thing to do. After a tremendous struggle she got Jack into the canoe and returned to Crocodile Island. Hiding the boat and its precious cargo she sped to the temple and offered herself as a sacrifice for the ceremonial dance which was to take place at the rising of the moon of flowers. As a holy creature set aside for sacrifice she would have access to the golden seal bearing the image of the crocodile god whose brand would protect from all evil any who bore it. It gave the wearer tremendous power but few availed themselves of it, for it could be obtained only through a willing, living sacrifice to the hideous god.

"When she had procured the seal, she bound Jack securely and blinded with tears branded him deeply on the chest with the heated seal, then heavy hearted but resolute returned to the temple to be sacrificed.

"She was arrayed reverently in the sacerdotal garments of great beauty. Deafening through the tropical night came the slow, rhythmic pounding of the tom-toms. The ceremony had begun. With light step and eyes below she stepped into the center of the circle and swaying in time to the instruments began the dance of death. At the close of day as the golden sun kissed the shadows of twilight Lameen had asked for all earthly things and was given to the crocodile, but even as the slithering jaws of the scaly monster approached, she cried out the place where her love was hidden and claimed the natives' help and protection by the seal of the god he wore.

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LAUGH AND THE WORLD LAUGHS WITH YOU

Eddie: I have sad news. My dog died last night.

Walter: What happened? Did it swallow a tape-line and die by inches, or run down the alley and die by the yard?

Eddie: Naw, it crawled under the bed and died by the foot.

The strong man, gleaming knife in hand, gazed at the smooth white body in the water.

"I cannot do it," he groaned. "It's not a man's work." Tears streamed down his cheeks.

The woman, with a look of utter scorn, seized the knife and finished peeling the onion.

"P. . . do you say 'It is me' or 'It is I'?"

Always remember the rhyme: "It is I" said the spider to the fly.

"I see," but couldn't you say "It is me," said the spider to the fly?

Teacher: An anonymous person is one who does not wish to be known. Who's that laughing in the class?

Voice: An anonymous person, teacher.

First Student: I see you're getting better marks lately. How's that?

Second Student: My dad's on a trip so I do all my work myself.

Teacher: Tom, can you tell me what a hypocrite is?

Leon: Yes, a boy. It's a boy that comes to school with a smile on his face.

Ideal Students

Complexion - Lloyd Young - Ruth Strassburg

Eyelashes - Anthony Berock Ella Shaughnessy

Mouth - Albert Fetzer Agnes Matea

Smiles - Charles Esterly Doris Lurry

Hair - Wm. (Frenchy) Myers

Dorothy Hughes

Athletics - Russell Gregory Rosa O'Leary

Speech - Joe Jamarco - Beulah Bennett

Dimples - Harold Menentz - Alice Shafer

Dress - Whitney Johnson Marion Sullivan

Speaking of Songs: Have You Heard the: Telephone Song - Somewhere a voice is calling.

Borrowing Song - Then you'll remember me.

Detective Song - Ah, sweet mystery of life.

Onion Song - Why should I cry over you.

Weather Bureau Song - On a dew, dew, dewy day.

THE GREATER LOVE

"Because of the brand, Jack received the aid of all in the village and when he was sufficiently recovered he was taken to an island in the path of passing ships where he was eventually picked up. He returned to civilization carrying with him the memory of the love of a native maiden so deep that she had gladly given her life for the one she loved."

"Greater love," murmured Saunders, "hath no man than this," as he knocked the ashes from his pipe and rose to leave the group. His action broke a button from his pipe shirt and for a fleeting second, before his hand could hide it, his audience glimpsed a vivid red scar upon his chest, the brand of a crocodile.

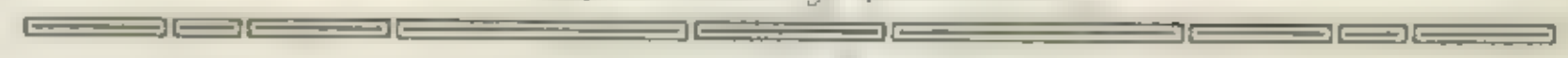
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STANLEY
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AUTOGRAPHS

Won't you sign your name so that I can remember you as a part
of my happy time at I.A.S.

John Eccel (46)

Howard
Edward
Dennis

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Vincent

John Principe

Marian
Morgan

Vivian

Lucille McHadden

James
D. H. Hennessey
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E. U. Stafford
Mann

Harvey
H. Hennessey

Arthur
Smyth

Mary Liggett
Anna Maria D'Anna

Marian
Russell

Alfreda

June 1894

Boys Zink

Will
Mozink

Mary
Zugher

Leah Moreland
Constance Clapatt

Richard Hoff
Lloyd Bridgeman

Josephine Tiller
Rich M. Jameson

Mary Cullinan

Mary
Zugher

Jimmy
Cook

Gertrude Corbett

Harold Esters

~~John~~



